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PROGRAMMING AND COORDINATION MATTERS RELATED TO THE
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Proposed revisions to the medium-term plan for the period 1992-1997

Note by the Secretary-General

Summary

In accordance with regulation 3.11 of the regulations and rules governing the programme planning, the programme aspects of the budget, the monitoring of the implementation and the methods of evaluation (ST/SGB/PPBME Rules I (1987)), the first revision of the medium-term plan for the period 1992-1997 will be made in 1992. The note contains proposals by the Secretariat for minor substantive revisions of the approved plan, for review by the Commission on the Status of Women.

1. In accordance with the relevant regulations and rules governing the programme planning, the programme aspects of the budget, the monitoring of the implementation and the methods of evaluation (ST/SGB/PPBME Rules I (1987)), proposed revisions to the programme on the advancement of women of the medium-term plan for the period 1992-1997 are submitted to the Commission for its review and comments in the annex to this note.
2. The medium-term plan (A/45/6) was adopted by the General Assembly by its resolution 45/253. The programme on the advancement of women included in the plan had been reviewed by the Commission at its thirty-third session.
3. In accordance with the programme planning regulations and rules, the medium-term plan may be revised every two years to incorporate required programme changes. In the view of the Secretariat, although the fundamental objectives and strategies outlined in the plan remain valid, substantive modifications of the plan narrative are required to accord with resolutions adopted since 1989.

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Annex

PROPOSED REVISIONS TO THE NARRATIVES (A/45/6/Rev.1) AT THE PROGRAMME LEVEL

SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT AND HUMANITARIAN AFFAIRS

PROGRAMME 27: ADVANCEMENT OF WOMEN

1. General orientation

Textual revision only - paragraph 27.2, line 20, CSDHA is located at the "United Nations Office at Vienna" not Geneva.

Subprogramme 1. EQUALITY

(a) Objectives

Add ECOSOC resolution 1990/15, annex , part I, paragraphs 3 to 7 and part III, A. Equality

(b) Course of action of the Secretariat

Paragraph 27.14: Line 7 Add

"Analytical reports, by article and subject, will be prepared, as requested by the Committee, with a view to assisting it in the formulation of general recommendations."

Line 12 Add

"; increased awareness by women of their rights, including legal literacy; equal pay for work of equal value, including methodologies for measurement of pay inequities and work in the informal sector; equality in economic decision-making; elimination of stereotyping of women in the mass media."

Subprogramme 2: Development

(a) Objectives

Paragraph 27.17 Add ECOSOC resolution 1990/15, annex, part I, paragraphs 8 to 21 and part III, B Development

Paragraph 27.18 Line 1 Amend the first sentence

"The full participation of women as agents and beneficiaries in development requires accurate knowledge of their role and potential, gender analysis emphasizing the socio-economic situation, and the identification of policies to achieve full participation."

(b) Course of action of the Secretariat

Paragraph 27.21 Line 3

Replace "and subjects for subsequent years as determined by the Commission" by "; women in extreme poverty: integration of women's concerns in national development planning; women in urban areas: migration, drug consumption, AIDS and population, nutrition and health factors for women in development; promotion of literacy, education and training, including technological skills; child and dependant care, including sharing of work and family responsibilities."

Subprogramme 3: Peace

(a) Objectives

Paragraph 27.22 Add ECOSOC resolution 1990/15, annex , part I, paragraphs 22 and 23 and part III, C. Peace.

Paragraph 27.24 Add

"(f) To develop and monitor international standards relating to violence against women."

(b) Course of action of the Secretariat

Paragraph 27.25 Line 3 Add

"Further priority themes as determined by the Commission are women and the peace process; measures to eradicate violence against women in family and society; women in international decision-making; education for peace."

Line 13 Add

"Servicing will be provided for the discussions of the Commission on the Status of Women on the development of an international instrument on violence against women."

Subprogramme 4: Monitoring, review and appraisal of
the implementation of the Nairobi Forward-looking Strategies on the
advancement of women

(a) Objectives

Paragraph 27.26 Add General Assembly resolutions 45/127, paragraphs 1 to 4, 45/129, paragraphs 3, 8, 10, 12, 13, 19, 20 and 21. ECOSOC resolutions 1988/59, paragraph 2, 1989/105, paragraphs 8 and 9, 1990/9, paragraphs 1 and 2, 1990/12, paragraphs 1 to 4.

Paragraph 27.28 Add

"(e) To encourage and enable women to examine their role within the context of changes in society and to develop new perspectives to deal with global problems."

Paragraph 27.29

Delete the word "proposed"

Add new sentence:

Paragraph 27.30

Delete

publication has been cancelled because sufficient funds have not been approved (under the Publications Programme).

New paragraph text

"Efforts to increase interaction between Governments and non-governmental organizations at the international level will centre on giving technical assistance to non-governmental organizations to help them organize activities in connection with the selected themes for the annual session of the Commission and the 1995 World Conference on Women. The system-wide medium-term plan for the period 1996-2001 will be drafted and the mechanisms for implementation initiated."